

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Title: **DORSIFLEXION SKATE BRAKE**

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**AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231  
Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on April 1, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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**IN THE CLAIMS**

Cancel claim 1 without prejudice.

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**2. (Amended)**

For a user having a toe and standing on a skate, a skate braking mechanism comprising:  
a brake; and

a lifter connected to the brake and pressable upward by the toe of the user to actuate the  
brake;

whereby the brake connected to the lifter is actuated according to a natural motion of the  
user to maintain balance.

**3. (Amended)** The skate braking mechanism according to claim 2, wherein the lifter is pivoted to  
be moved upward by the toe.